

SUCCESSOR OF MAHU IS DEAD

Is Found Shot in His Bunk One Week After Assuming Job of Murdered Man

MYSTERY TO BE SOLVED

Presence of Shattered Bullet in Pocket Lends Suspicion to Second Tragedy.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

One week after he had taken the place of Mahu, murdered mysteriously at Puuloa, Kauaihao was found dead in his bunk yesterday, shot through the head.

The bullet, still wet with his blood, was found in the pocket of his kimono. His dead hand was clenched over the butt of a revolver.

From the direction taken by the bullet through Kauaihao's brain it is impossible that it could have lodged itself in the pocket. How it got there is a mystery.

Suspicion exists that suicide is not the cause of death.

Kauaihao, the successor to Mahu, the murdered Puuloa watchman, was found dead in his bunk yesterday, with a hole through his skull and an Iver Johnson 38 revolver clutched in his hand.

Just one week from the time he assumed his duties as night watchman and just a little over a week from the time his predecessor was picked up with two bullet wounds in him and with a shattered skull, Kauaihao presumably committed suicide. Mahu's predecessor died while under operation for appendicitis, just a short time before, and "hoodoo" is the word most prominent in the dredging and construction camps on the government reservation at present.

Sheriff Jarrett received word by telephone yesterday that a man had been shot through the head near the bunkhouse where Mahu slept and although it was said that he was a suicide, so short a time had elapsed between this last occurrence and the murder of Mahu, that the sheriff and the chief of detectives at once left for the scene. Kauaihao is an ex-policeman and was sent down to the reservation a week ago to take the position of night watchman. He was called by the men with whom he had been working for the past week, a silent man, but he appeared to be in the best of health and was not despondent. He had talked with the luna yesterday morning and there was nothing about his action that aroused suspicion either

at that time or when it was recalled after his dead body was found.

The last man to see him alive was Night Watchman Trotter who came up to the city yesterday to make some purchases and who was addressed perfunctorily by Kauaihao. Trotter was coming out of his room, a part of the bunkhouse, when he met Kauaihao and the latter merely asked him if he had been to town and then added, "My watch is stopped and went go the rounds."

Whether he meant by this that the watch "would not go around" or whether he would not make his rounds seems vague. A few minutes after Trotter had left him, which was about ten minutes after three, the man evidently went to his bunk, which is the upper one, directly next the end of the house, partially undressed, lay down on his back, crossed his feet and deliberately shot himself through the mouth.

At about three-twenty, ten minutes after Trotter had seen him, the men knocked off work and returned to the bunkhouse. A young Hawaiian, whose bunk is under that of the dead man, was about to lay down when he noticed a thin stream of blood trickling down the side. He climbed hastily to the upper bunk and saw Kauaihao with a revolver in his hand and blood running out of his mouth. The boy gave a yell and started out of the house to another farther down where he stammered out that there was a man in the bunkhouse "make," with a revolver in his hand. They thought he was joking and for a time refused to come but finally convinced by his manner that he was in earnest, they went to the larger house and found things as he had said.

One of the men climbed up and placed his hand on Kauaihao's chest and felt the flesh warm and still twitching. He took the revolver up and "broke" it, looking at the shells, but warned by the others, he replaced it in the exact manner in which he found it and the body was not touched until the officers came.

Bullet Mystery.

The investigations of Jarrett, McDuffie and Deputy Sheriff Fernandez introduced an element of mystery into the case which has not yet been cleared up. From all appearances and from the testimony of those who had found him, he is a suicide; but there was found in the pocket of his kimono the shattered bullet that had plowed its way through his brain with still a piece of the brain adhering to it. The finding of this little piece of lead, which completed its usefulness by taking a human life, changed the entire complexion of the case and suspicion was at once aroused in the minds of the investigators.

Fernandez had sworn in his coroner's jury and while McDuffie searched the man's effects, the jury had examined the body and the clothes in which the dead man lay, finding the bullet.

As yet the presence of the small piece of lead in the man's pocket is inexplicable. The most reasonable theory which has been advanced by the officers is that one of the men who had first seen the body had found the bullet in the bunk underneath the head, had picked it up and placed it in the pocket, and afterward was too scared to come forward and say that he had done so. Every man questioned emphatically

CLEAR TITLE TO LIBRARY GROUNDS

Governor Frear Signs Quitclaim Deed to Remove Small Cloud.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Governor Frear yesterday signed a quitclaim deed to the Honolulu Library Association, giving the association an unclouded title to the present library site. This is to enable the library association to dispose of the site and put the money into the proposed new Carnegie library.

There was a cloud on the former title, the site having been given to the association by the Territory under certain conditions. It was not certain whether or not the conditions had all been fulfilled and the library association could not give a clear title in case it sold the land. The defect is now removed and the land can be sold.

The matter of the selection of a site for the Carnegie library is still in the hands of the committee and nothing has yet been done. Several sites have been suggested, but most of them will be eliminated without much consideration, on account of obvious disadvantages. At present the capitol grounds seem to be most favored.

EVANS RELIEVED.

WASHINGTON, January 26.—Rear Admiral Evans, retired, has been relieved of work on the naval board, to which he was assigned for special duty shortly after his term of active service ended.

ly denied that he had seen the pellet. Suspicious Hury.

A few men who were returning from work a few minutes before the body was found saw a Chinaman running from the house to his wagon which he had left on the other side of the track, get in and drive off. This Chinaman supplies poi to the camp and as he was undoubtedly in the house some time during the twenty minutes between which the man had been seen alive and found dead, the finger of suspicion points strongly to him and he will be arrested and examined.

This is all that is known of the facts in the case but as there is only a space of fifteen or twenty minutes in which the deed could have been committed, the officers will have a comparatively easy case to work out if it is found that it is possible that the man found dead at the hands of another.

The police surgeon of Waipahu went down to the camp last night to examine the body but his report has not yet been made. The coroner's jury will hold an inquest today and meanwhile the few clues that have offered themselves will be followed to the end.

As far as known the dead man leaves only a widow and a son, supposed to live in Pua lane.

HONOLULU PAYS WILHELM HONOR

Reception at German Consulate Celebrating Birthday of the War Lord.

Yesterday, up to two o'clock, all Honolulu celebrated in honor of the birthday anniversary of Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany. Until late in the evening the German colony continued the celebration. The annual event on the birthday of the German Ruler was no less enjoyable yesterday than it has been in the past, and the most loyal subject of the Kaiser will have no complaint to make over the sincerity of the ovations tendered his name.

William Pfotenbauer, the German consul, acted as host at the birthday reception, being assisted in receiving the guests by D. P. R. Isenberg. The consulate in the Hackfeld building was crowded and the reception, continuing all morning, came to end at two o'clock to permit the guests to get out and toast His Imperial Majesty individually instead of en masse.

Governor Frear and his staff were present, as were the commanding officers of all the army posts in and about Honolulu. Major Dunning and his staff of Fort Shafter, Major Cree and his staff of Fort Ruger, Major Winslow and his staff of Fort De Russy, Major Long and his staff of Camp Verry, and officers from Lelehu were all present to lend to the assemblage of business suits and frock coats a military touch.

Nearly all the business men in town called to pay their respects to the Kaiser's representative and toast the Kaiser himself. People began to arrive early to avoid the rush and found that everybody else had done the same thing. Everybody wandered in at some time during the day even if it was but to stay no longer than courtesy demanded, as the birthday of the War Lord is one of the events that Honolulu never overlooks and which no Honolulu likes to pass by and break his record for good attendance.

Doctor Clark could have posted a few of his enumerators at the doors of the consulate and obtained a fairly accurate idea of the population of Honolulu. There was little time for speech-making, the orators having to come down off their stools and shake hands for the sake of the Kaiser too often, and besides the speech would have to be repeated every five minutes for the benefit of new arrivals. In consequence, nobody went any further in their celebration, than to drink the Kaiser's health.

Last night, at the Kilohana Art League rooms on Beretania avenue, the German colony celebrated by themselves and in their own way, the birthday of the ruler of the great North Europe empire. What they did or how they did none so favored with birth in Der Faderland knows, but it takes no

wild guess to determine the fact that whatever it was, it was done after the most approved and time-honored Faderland methods. And it doesn't take any wild guess, either, to say that it was well done and enjoyable.

SAY DEATH WAS SELF-INFLICTED

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had been first seen, although the employees had removed and examined it, previous to the time that the officers had arrived. The revolver was found by one man, who was brought to the scene by a young Hawaiian who had found the body but had evidently not touched it. This man was alone when he first removed the gun except for the possible presence of the young Hawaiian and may have possibly altered the position of the gun when he replaced it, although he swears he didn't. An inch difference in the manner in which he replaced it in the dead man's hand may have meant a lot, but the officers took his statement as truth. He was very willing to talk and frequently asserted that he had told all he knew.

The poi Chinaman has not yet been arrested. In the lower berth in the next tier to that of Kauaihao was a few barrels of untouched poi, directly opposite the dead man, which had been placed there during the half-hour in which the latter died. It is the theory of the police that the Chinaman, who was seen running from the house, looked up and saw the dead man with a revolver in his hand and ran away as fast as he could. It is well known that a Chinaman can not be induced to stay with a dead man. No counter theory has been advanced.

There is not the slightest trace of a motive for suicide. His wife, who lives in the Star Block, has been found and she says that he left the house on the morning of the twenty-second and went to his job at Puuloa. He had a cold and she begged him not to go but he went anyway. There was not the slightest trouble between them, or so she says. Two brothers have been found. Neither can offer any reason for his suicide. His fellow workmen say he was cheerful, not despondent, although somewhat taciturn. In the statements of all who knew him there is nothing to indicate any desire for death. Hawaiians are not in the habit of committing suicide. It is very unusual but this appears to be the one exception that proves the rule.

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MEAT TRUST INVESTIGATION WILL BE NATION WIDE

CHICAGO, January 27.—That the beef trust investigation will be nation wide was shown yesterday when subpoenas were issued calling for the documents and books of the principal packing concerns of the country.

BALLINGER ALSO MAY BE LET OUT

Washington Correspondent Says He Will Be Asked to Resign From Cabinet.

His face having been saved by the dismissal of Chief Forester Pinchot, Secretary Ballinger himself is to be given a polite opportunity to retire from public life and the public eye. At least, that is the way it is figured by the Washington correspondent of the Boston Transcript, who wires his paper under date of January 11 as follows:

Taft Not a Party.

WASHINGTON, January 11.—Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of the interior, will be asked to resign from the Taft cabinet. This decision has been reached by leading Republicans within a few days. President Taft is not a party to it at present, but this desperate step is believed to be necessary to relieve the President and the Republican party of the embarrassment caused by the unfortunate presence of the combative Westerner in the President's official family. Now that Mr. Pinchot is dethroned, it is thought that Mr. Ballinger can be asked to step down and out without reflection on his integrity and simply as a measure of party protection. It is the old-fashioned theory that all the credit for good work done by a department is due the President, not the cabinet officer, and that as soon as a member of the cabinet becomes an embarrassment to his chief, it is his plain duty to resign. Many old-fashioned statesmen, some of them very near President Taft, recalled this theory when the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy broke forth, but it never appealed to Mr. Ballinger, and President Taft chose not to recur to it in his own interests. Others now have taken the matter up, believing the party situation to be too serious to permit of further temporizing.

LLOYD-GEORGE BUDGET IS SURE TO BE PASSED

LONDON, January 27.—Final returns show conclusively that the Lloyd-George budget will be passed by the incoming house of commons, and on the principal issue before the people the Asquith government has been victorious. The passage of all other legislation, however, is dependent upon the alliance of the Irish Nationalists and the Laborites with the Liberals. The Liberals are returned in decreased numbers, but the issue of the house of commons against the house of lords has gone adversely to the lords.

BORN.

HAHNLEN.—In Honolulu, January 25, to the wife of L. C. Hahnlen, a daughter.

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